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SUMMARY: CABINET HAS APPROVED SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET CONTAINING YEN 5 BILLION EACH FOR GRANT AID TO NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM AND 800 MILLION YEN FOR LAOS. FONOFF HOPES TO DISBURSE MOST OF FUNDS FOR LAOS AND SOUTH VIETNAM WITHIN JFY 1973. NEGOTIATIONS WITH DRV ON BILATERAL AID EXPECTED TO BEGIN SOON. END SUMMARY.

1. GOJ CABINET NOV 22 APPROVED JFY 1973 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET TO BE SUBMITTED TO EXTRAORDINARY DIET CONVENING DEC 1. BUDGET INCLUDES FUNDS FOR 5 BILLION YEN (18.8 MILLION DOLLARS AT 280 YEN/DOLLAR) GRANT ASSISTANCE EACH FOR NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM, AND 800 MILLION YEN (2.86 MILLION DOLLARS) FOR GRANT AID TO LAOS.

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2. ON NOV 27 EMBOFF REVIEWED STATUS OF GOJ PLANS FOR AID TO INDOCHINA WITH KAZUHARA, DEPUTY HEAD, FIRST SOUTH-EAST ASIA DIVISION, FONOFF. HE PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

A. DESPITE VARIOUS PRESSING PROBLEMS FACING DIET, PASSAGE OF SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET IS STILL REGARDED AS CERTAIN. KAZUHARA PERSONALLY EXPECTS THAT PASSAGE WILL COME NO LATER THAN MID-DECEMBER.

B. RE AID TO LAOS: GOJ HAS RECEIVED VARIOUS REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE FROM RLG BOTH DURING VISIT BY GOJ FACT-FINDING TEAM LAST SUMMER AND SUBSEQUENTLY. GOJ WILL SOON FINALIZE ITS POSITION RE KINDS OF ASSISTANCE AND MODES OF DISBURSEMENT AND THEN UNDERTAKE DISCUSSIONS WITH RLG. FONOFF HOPES THAT MOST OF AID CAN BE DISBURSED WITHIN JFY 1973 (ENDING MARCH 31, 1974), THUS EASE OF DISBURSEMENT WILL BE ONE CRITERION IN DETERMINING FORM OF AID (KAZUHARA DECLINED GIVE ANY SPECIFICS). GOJ WILLING DISCUSS PROPOSED AID WITH RLG WITHOUT WAITING FOR FORMATION OF NEW GOVERNMENT. GOJ DOES NOT INTEND TO MAKE ADDITIONAL 1973 FEOF CONTRIBUTION FROM 800 MILLION YEN.

C. RE AID TO SOUTH VIETNAM: GOJ HAS MORE OR LESS FINALIZED ITS THINKING ON USES OF \$50 MILLION AID. FONOFF NOT YET ABLE TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC INFO ON AID IT INTENDS TO PROVIDE, BUT IS STILL PLANNING TO DISCURSE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE OF AID WITHIN JFY 73.

D. RE AID TO NORTH VIETNAM: AS REPORTED REFTTEL, GOJ EXPECTS TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS SOON WITH DRV ON QUESTION OF BILATERAL AID. DRV IS THINKING IN TERMS OF QTE REPARATIONS UNQTE, BUT GOJ REJECTS THIS APPROACH. GOJ HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY FORMAL REQUEST FOR AID FROM DRV, AND FONOFF NOT NOW IN POSITION TO PREDICT WHAT FORM AID MIGHT TAKE OR TIMING OF DISBURSEMENT.

E. PROVISION HAS BEEN MADE FOR CARRY-OVER OF UNEXPENDED FUNDS FOR ABOVE COUNTRIES TO NEXT FISCAL YEAR, IF THIS SHOULD BE NECESSARY.

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